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Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report was mandated by the General Assembly in its resolution 70/96 and contains a list of specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations to which the provisions of the resolution apply and to whose attention the Secretary-General drew the resolution.

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1. By paragraph 20 of its resolution 70/96 on the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to assist the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system in working out appropriate measures for implementing the relevant resolutions of the United Nations and to prepare for submission to the relevant bodies, with the assistance of those agencies and organizations, a report on the action taken in implementation of the relevant resolutions, including resolution 70/96, since the circulation of his previous report (A/70/64).

2. In a letter dated 8 January 2016, the Secretary-General brought the resolution to the attention of the executive heads of the following specialized agencies and other international organizations and invited them to submit the information requested for inclusion in the report referred to in paragraph 1 above:

African Union

Association of Caribbean States

Caribbean Community

Caribbean Development Bank

Community of Sahelo-Saharan States

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

European Union

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

International Civil Aviation Organization

International Fund for Agricultural Development

International Labour Organization

International Maritime Organization

International Monetary Fund

International Telecommunication Union

Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States

Organization of American States

Pacific Islands Forum

United Nations Children's Fund

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

United Nations Development Programme

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

United Nations Environment Programme

United Nations Industrial Development Organization

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

United Nations Population Fund

Universal Postal Union

World Bank

World Food Programme

World Health Organization

World Intellectual Property Organization

World Meteorological Organization

World Tourism Organization

World Trade Organization

3. Summaries of the replies received from the international organizations concerned in response to the above-mentioned letter will be presented in document E/2016/49.

4. Summaries of additional replies received, together with such further information as may become available on relevant activities undertaken by the organizations concerned during the year, will be published in addenda to the report mentioned in paragraph 3 above.

5. In addition, the Secretary-General drew the attention of various departments and other units of the Secretariat to the resolution. Information received in that regard will also be included in the above-mentioned report.